UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA JUDGE JAMES M. MUNLEY

HEILIMANN v O'BRIEN 3:14cv1271

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CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

Discovery due 9/30/15; Dispositive motions due 11/30/15 Plaintiff expert reports due 9/30/15; Defendants expert reports due 11/30/15

MOTIONS IN LIMINE: All motions in limine, including those involving the challenge of expert witness testimony under <u>Daubert v. Merril Dow Pharma.</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, 509 U.S. 579 (1993), are due fourteen (14) days prior to the pretrial conference. Briefs in opposition to the motions in limine, including <u>Daubert</u> motions, are due seven (7) days prior to the pretrial conference. The court will not accept briefs longer than six (6) pages double-spaced.

<u>Daubert</u>/ expert witness issues: Under <u>Daubert</u> and Federal Rule of Evidence 702, the court has an obligation to evaluate the reliability of expert testimony "where such testimony's factual basis, data, principles, methods, or their application are called sufficiently into question." <u>Kumho Tire Co. v. Carmichael</u>, 526 U.S. 137, 149 (1999). The court, however, will not conduct an evidentiary hearing on every <u>Daubert</u> motion.

The party challenging this evidence must address the issue at the expert's deposition. If the expert has not been deposed, the complaining party must depose the expert. A copy of the deposition transcript, expert report(s), affidavit(s), if any, and the party's brief outlining the basis for their objection to the testimony, with references to page and line numbers of the deposition transcript, are due fourteen (14) days prior to the pretrial conference. The nonmovant's (respondent) brief in opposition to the <u>Daubert</u> motion is due seven (7) days prior to the pretrial conference. The court will not accept briefs longer than six (6) pages double-spaced.

As time is of the essence, the court will not address any motion in limine, including those regarding <u>Daubert</u> issues, if they are not timely filed.

Please note: Parties' briefs may not refer to parties' previously filed briefs, but must stand alone in content and argument. Also, briefs in support of or in opposition to dispositive motions must cite page and line number of deposition transcripts for all factual assertions.

Counsel are directed not to file written discovery motions. In the event of a discovery dispute, counsel shall notify Case Administrator, Sylvia Murphy, who shall schedule a telephonic discovery conference.

<u>s/James M. Munley</u> Judge James M. Munley